## Sunny Rain Garden Plant List



**Beach Plum** (*Prunus maritima*) Grows from 6 to 8 feet high with a spread of 6 feet. Grows best in well-drained soil but is adaptable to a range of soil types. Prefers full sun. White flowers bloom in the spring and are followed by purple fruits which are edible. Typically found along the coast and tolerant of salt.



Joe-Pye Weed (*Eupatorium maculatum*) Grows from 4 to 5 feet high with a spread of 1.5 to 2 feet. Found naturally growing in damp meadows. Light pink flowers bloom from mid summer to early fall and are attractive to butterflies. Prefers average to wet soil with full sun.





New England Aster (*Aster novae-angliae*) Grows from 1.5 to 2 feet high with a spread of 2 to 3 feet. It grows best in average to wet, well-drained soil with full sun. Blooms in late summer to early fall with dark purple flowers that are attractive to butterflies.





Sheep Laurel (Kalmia angustifolia) Grows from 1 to 3 feet high with a greater spread. Grows best in moist, organic, cool, acidic, soils but can tolerant of a variety of soil types. Prefers full sun to partial shade. Bright pink flowers bloom in early summer. As the name suggests it is poisonous to livestock.





Cardinal Flower (*Lobelia cardinalis*) Grows from 2 to 4 feet high with a spread of 1 to 2 feet. Bright red flowers bloom in late summer. Lance-shaped leaves are finely toothed and approximately 4 inches long. Full sun to partial shade. Prefers medium wet to wet, rich, humusy soil. Found near streams and swamps and in low wooded areas. Attractive to hummingbirds.





Blue Flag (*Iris versicolor*) Grows from 1 to 3 feet with a spread of 6 to 12 feet. Leaves are sword shaped and can be up to 3 feet long. Flowers are typically blue-violet but can be white, lavender, or red-violet. Full sun to partial shade. Prefers moist to wet, humusy, slightly acidic soils. Can tolerate growing in up to 6 inches of standing water. Grows well near bogs and ponds.





Milkweed (Asclepias syriaca) Grows from 2 to 3 feet high with a spread of approximately 1 foot. Clusters of pink flowers bloom in the late spring in to the summer and are attractive to butterflies, particularly Monarch larvae. Very adaptable. Can grow in average, dry to medium wet soils that are well drained. Prefers full sun.





**Boneset** (*Eupatorium perfoliatum*) Grows 4 to 6 feet high with a spread of 3 to 4 feet. Clusters of small, white flowers bloom in late summer. Leaves are lance shaped and have hairy stems. Full sun to part shade. Prefers medium wet to wet soil and will tolerate sand and clay soils with adequate moisture. Found in swamps and on streambanks.





**Bearberry** (*Arctostaphylos uva-ursi*) Grows from 4 to 6 inches with a spread of 20 inches. Spreads easily to form a mat. Grows best in moist, well-drained, rich, acidic soil. Full sun to partial shade. Light pink, cup-shaped flowers give way to a bright red berry in the fall. Attractive to wildlife.



Creeping Juniper (*Juniperus horizontalis*) Grows approximately 2 feet high with a spread of 8 feet. Tolerates a wide range of soil as long it is well drained. Grows best in full sun. Foliage is often a silvery blue color. Small, blue, berrylike fruit.

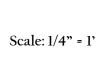


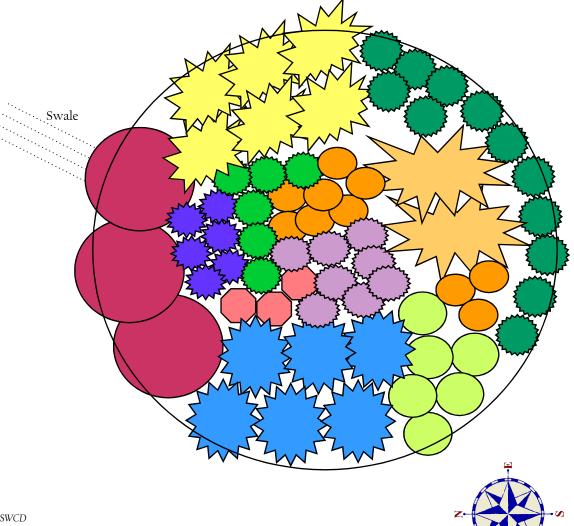


Marsh Marigold (*Caltha palustris*) Grows from 8 inches to 2 feet high with a spread of approximately 1 foot. Typically found in swamps and marshes and is recommended for planting along stream banks, in bog gardens and near ponds. Bright yellow flowers bloom in late spring to early summer. Prefers wet humusy soils and partial to full sun.



- Beach Plum
- Joe Pie Weed
- New England Aster
- Sheep Laurel
- Cardinal Flower
- Blue Flag Iris
- Milkweed
- Boneset
- Bearberry
- Creeping Juniper
- Marsh Marigold





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